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APPLICANTS FOR LOW POWER TELEVISION CONSTRUCTION PERMITS TO BE AWARDED IN AUCTION NO. 81 MUST SUBMIT SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION BY MARCH 18, 2005

Report No. AUC-05-81-B (Auction No. 81)

On June 23, 2000, the Mass Media Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureaus) announced a limited auction filing window for certain low power television (LPTV), television translator, and Class A television broadcast stations. Following the close of that filing window, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted a rule requiring all persons and entities doing business with the FCC to acquire a unique identifying number called the FCC Registration Number (FRN) and to provide it with all applications or feeable filings, as well as other transactions involving payment of money. This requirement became effective on December 3, 2001. Use of an FRN is mandatory for all applicants for Auction No. 81 so that they may log on to the FCC Auctions 175 Application & Search system and continue to participate in the auction process.

If an Auction No. 81 applicant does not submit its FRN pursuant to this public notice, the Commission will not review its short-form application (FCC Form 175). A separate Public Notice released today, DA 05-506, announces that the bidding for Auction No. 81 will start on September 14, 2005. That Public Notice also lists in Attachment A the applicants that are required to submit an FRN pursuant to the procedures set forth in this public notice no later than 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET), Friday, March 18, 2005.

To submit an FRN for association with a pending application, each listed applicant must provide its precise applicant name and FRN in an e-mail to auction81@fcc.gov or fax this information to Kathryn Garland at (717) 338-2850. Note that, in some cases, an entity may have obtained multiple FRNs; however, each applicant must submit only the particular FRN that is associated with the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) that it used in connection with the initial submission of its short-form application (FCC Form 175) in June of 2000.

¹ See Notice and Filing Requirements Regarding July 31 through August 4, 2000 Limited Low Power Television/Television Translator/Class A Television Auction Filing Window, *Public Notice*, 15 FCC Rcd 10854 (Mass Media Bur. & Wireless Telecom. Bur. 2000).

² See Amendment of Parts 1, 21, 61, 73, 74, and 76 of the Commission's Rules, Adoption of a Mandatory FCC Registration Number, MD Docket No. 00-205, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 16138 (2001).

Applicants for Auction No. 81 <u>must</u> submit this information to the Commission **no later than** 5:00 p.m. ET, Friday, March 18, 2005, in order to maintain status to participate in this auction. Any applicant that is listed in the Attachment A to the companion Public Notice (DA 05-506) which fails to submit its FRN exactly as prescribed by this public notice by the March 18th deadline will have its pending engineering proposals dismissed and will be ineligible to participate in Auction No. 81.

Applicants that do not have an FRN must obtain one by registering using the FCC's Commission Registration System (CORES). To access CORES, point your web browser to the FCC Auctions page at http://wireless.fcc.gov/auctions/ and click the CORES link under Related Sites. Next, follow the directions provided to register and receive your FRN. Be sure to retain this number and password and keep such information strictly confidential.

For further information, contact: FCC Technical Support at 1-877-480-3201 option 9, (202) 414-1250, or (202) 414-1255 (TTY). Hours of service: Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. ET.